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OUTLINES.

Everything is quiet at Port Arthur. —— Russia considers Corea as a belligerent and will act accordingly. —— A strong force of Russian field artillery is on the north bank of the Yalu river. —— A Russian army corps is moving from Vladivostok toward Corea. —— Japan's losses since the opening of the war are said by Russians to be four cruisers and five torpedo boats. —— It is said the coal mine workers have accepted the new scale and there will be no strike. —— The Colombian legation in Washington has been closed. —— Thirty Russian students have been expelled from Berlin. —— Horrible details of treatment of German settlers in Southwest Africa are given. —— Ontario biscuit works at Buffalo, N. Y., destroyed by an explosion; all the employes escaped. —— No further news of the progress of hostilities in the Far East has been received. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 1¾ per cent.; cotton weak at 16c; flour very dull; wheat—spot easy; No. 2, $1 02; corn—spot easy; No. 2, nominal; rosin quiet; spirits turpentine quiet at 61¼@62c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 16.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 35 degrees; 8 P. M., 45 degrees; maximum, 54 degrees; minimum, 33 degrees; mean, 44 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, 2.67 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M., 11.1 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—For North Carolina: Fair Thursday; Friday rain and warmer; fresh southeast winds.

Port Almanac--March 17.

Sun Rises	6.09 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.09 P. M.
Day's Length	12 H. — M.
High Water at Southport.	8.12 P. M.
High Water Wilmington.	10.42 P. M.

Senator Tillman's throat is again in good condition but he will continue to refuse to swallow anything thrown at him from the Republican side.

The Chicago Woman's Club says "hugging must be divorced from waltzing." Well, if waltzing is not satisfied, let it take its clothes and go.

It looks like the Democrats in several States will have to join a "Get - Together" correspondence school before the campaign goes much further.

It would be quite a turning of the tables, sure, if Receiver McBee is to be the receiver of a sentence before Gov. Aycock gets him loosed up from his new job.

The pristime relics of fossilized statemanship will please keep quiet till the Democratic ship can claw off the shoals where it got stranded about eight years ago.

A Morman named Clam has been been prosecuted for having thirteen wives. That unlucky Clam might have known that there was no chance for him to keep out of the soup.

It is now doubted whether Fred Douglass was a negro. If mystification like that can come about in a few years, it will be doubted in a year from now whether Roosevelt was ever a President.

Col. Bryan is still confident that the Kansas City platform will be re-affirmed at the St. Louis convention. If he don't be careful while that sort of a spell is on him some guy will sell him a gold brick.

The Jacksonville *Times-Union* contains a splendid editorial on "The Triumph of Common Sense." We decline, however, to believe that common sense can boast of any such thing until we see how it behaves itself at the St. Louis convention.

We have been asked to say something about "Beautifying the City." The girls will attend to that some of these fine days. They'll soon be down town with their white dresses, crimson boleros and sailor hats. "Everything comes to him who waits."

President Joe Smith, the Mormon with five wives, intimates his willingness to be dealt with by the courts for his polygamy. Probably he thinks the best way to get out of trouble at home is to be shoved into a quiet cell in the penitentiary. You can't fool us Jodie.

Hundreds of telegrams are pouring into Washington congratulating Roosevelt on his victory over the American Securities Company. Now he wants to get after the Steel Trust, but the Steal Trust at Washington will be let alone for the Democrats to put out of business when they get in.

LOCAL DOTS.

— All hail, St. Patrick's Day!

— Sparks' show is heading this way and will exhibit in Florence on the 25th.

— The W. C. T. U. will meet at 4 o'clock this afternoon in the lecture room of the First Baptist church.

— Pay your poll tax before May 1st, or you cannot vote in the State and Presidential elections to be held in November next.

— The steamer "City of Fayetteville" was in port yesterday and cleared last night for the return with a large cargo of fertilizers for up-river points.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: "No. 32 of the A. C. L. was delayed at Sumter, S. C., and did not arrive until 12:15 last night, owing to a burned trestle at that point."

— Mr. Z. P. Smith, travelling passenger agent of the S. A. L., is in Fayetteville. Mr. Smith is State Vice Councillor of the Jr. O. U. A. M. and expected to meet with the Fayetteville council last night.

— Mr. Julius K. Judah, representing the Bernheim Distilling Company, of Louisville, is here calling on the trade. He is well known and highly esteemed in Wilmington and his friends are always glad to see him.

— Rockingham *Anglo Saxon*: Rev. J. N. Cole, presiding elder of the Rockingham District, stepped on a wire nail in a piece of timber a few days ago and it stuck through his shoe into the foot, and he has been suffering from it since.

— Dick Wilson, colored, a chronic drunkard, was sent to the roads for 30 days by the Mayor yesterday. Rufino Junquero, the Spaniard arrested for vagrancy, was released, it having been shown that he had employment at the Cape Fear Lumber Co.

WILMINGTON POSTOFFICE CONTEST.

Wallace's Confirmation Will Go Through Upon Return of Senator Simmons.

Washington, D C. special to yesterday's Charlotte *Observer*:

"After a contest characterized by much crimination and recrimination, most of which went on under the surface, the contest over the postoffice at Wilmington is nearing the end. Some very influential friends of Mr. Wallace were at the White House Saturday afternoon, and, as heretofore stated, the President expressed a willingness to make immediate disposition of the case, which he has done by transmitting the nomination to the Senate. Chairman Penrose, of the postoffice committee, says that there is no opposition to the nomination, and that the committee will favorably report it to the Senate when Senator Simmons returns. The North Carolina Senator is a member of the committee, and it is customary to refer the papers to the Senator representing the State wherein the office affected is located, especially when the Senator interested happens to be a member of the committee. Senator Simmons has already said that he saw no objection to immediate confirmation."

W. L. I. Comedy Production.

The first rehearsal for the big society comedy production to be given in Wilmington under the auspices of the Wilmington Light Infantry was held last evening at the home of Capt. Robertson. The rehearsal was very satisfactory. April 15th was decided upon as the date for the production. Nearly all members of the splendid cast which presented "A Modern Shakespeare" some time ago with so much success, have been secured for the present effort with the addition of a number of others, the cast for the present production being much larger than the first.

St. Patrick's Day, This.

This is "St. Patrick's Day in the morning," and every loyal Irishman has put on the shamrock and the green. The day will be marked by divine services this morning in St. Thomas' Pro-Cathedral and the annual meeting of the Hibernian Benevolent Society. Members of the society are officially called to meet at their hall at 9 o'clock this morning for the purpose of attending the services in a body. After the services members will return to the hall and transact the usual business incident to the yearly meeting.

Odd Fellows at Lumberton.

Special Deputy Grand Master E. N. Penny and a team from Wilmington and Chadbourn lodges will institute a new lodge of Odd Fellows at Lumberton on or about the 25th of the present month. The charter list shows a membership composed of the best people of the community, and the lodge will start out under the most favorable conditions.

Cotton and Naval Stores.

There was a sharp break in the New York cotton market yesterday, in consequence of which local quotations went off to 15½c for middling, the tone being dull. Receipts were 469 bales, against 100 same day last year. Tar advanced yesterday to $1 50 per barrel.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. B. Cooper—Royal flour.
J. W. H. Fuchs—To measure.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Sweet cream.

We wish to announce to our trade and lovers of good ice cream that our factory is running at full blast and we can serve your wants. Wholesale and retail. Eat the best. At Farries', 109 South Front. †

To-day, cars to Wrightsville Beach every hour from 9 A. M. to 7 P. M. Round trip from any part of city, 35 cents. Cars go over to the Beach. †

OPENING AT REHDERS

Magnificent Display of Spring Millinery and Dry Goods at Popular Establishment.

CONTINUES THROUGH TO-DAY.

Special Reception and Features Last Evening—Decorations Profuse and Exceedingly Pretty—A Wealth of Styles, Fads and Fancies.

The climax of art in decoration, beauty in illumination and magnificence in display was reached yesterday and last evening in the elaborate Spring opening at the popular and up-to-date department store of J. H. Rehder & Company, which is already justly famed far and wide for the brilliancy of those annual events. Mr. Carl B. Rehder, the clever young junior member of the firm, is the genius behind such enterprises at his store and this year he and his capable assistants have exceeded all former efforts. The display is grand and though the weather yesterday was hardly suggestive of Spring, the ladies of the city, from north, east, south and west, flocked thither in countless numbers. "Success is no word for it," remarked one enthusiastic admirer of the display. "It is simply grand, sublime!"

Of course the millinery department was the chief feature of attraction and it reached the zenith of its glory last night at a special reception from 8 to 10 o'clock. The department was a transformation to represent upon a starry night one of the hanging gardens of ancient times and the scheme was carried out beautifully in light blue and yellow. From front to rear half Grecian columns set with beautiful palms extend, forming an avenue on each side of the beautiful display of picture and pattern hats, trimmings, etc. The ceiling is overspread with bamboo, and suspended at natural angles are stars of white, studded with shining electrics. Upon the rear horizon looms a crescent to represent the moon, the whole blending a light which is very effective. A horseshoe at the door, beautifully trimmed with Palmer violets, makes an attractive feature of the decorations.

Miss Sarah Gardner, the accomplished milliner-in-chief, spent three weeks in the early Spring in the great fashion centres of the North, having her headquarters during that time at the fashionable place of Jas. T. Johnson. There she studied fashions and shades and made selections, upon which she is receiving hundreds of compliments from discriminating admirers. Miss Gardner says the popular styles this season are the "Lipton Sailor," "Continental," "Mushroom," "Gainsborough," and others. The leading shades are yellow, light blue, green and champagne. The trimmings in most general favor are laces, flowers, feathers, maline and all kinds of soft trimmings in lace, etc. The ribbons being used are Teutons and others, of which she bought an unusually attractive line. In the display are more than 75 pretty styles of ready-to-wear hats.

In addition to the line for the retail trade, the firm also carries a large stock for wholesale purposes, a travelling man being kept on the road continuously. The product of the work rooms of the firm are equal to the very finest and there is no trouble to compete with the larger houses North. In the millinery department there is an attractive display of baby caps, a novelty being the washable piece. As a souvenir offering yesterday a centerpiece and embroidery outfit, of a dollar value, was offered for 25c. An idea of the crowd may be gained from the fact that a thousand of the souvenirs were exhausted by noon.

The clothing and dress good departments, the former in charge of Mr. E. C. Moore and the latter in charge of Mr. Claude Moss, were also in gold attire for the opening and thousands of admirers were attracted there. The decorations were of Roman arches and suspended baskets of flowers, the color scheme being also light blue and yellow and executed under the direction of Mr. Moore. The windows presented an attractive Spring scene and were admired by many.

In the clothing department the celebrated Vital Brand is made a specialty of, and the offerings in that and all other lines are very handsome. The popular shades in dress goods this year, Mr. Moss says, are heliotrope, pear gray, sea foam, Napoleon and marine blue. Some of the leading fabrics are plain voile, nub voile, voille noppe, silk mollan, canvass cloth, crepe de Paris, silkine mohairs and silicians. A fine line of pongee and silk batiste, etamines, etc., is also carried. Black goods may also be found in all the popular weaves.

The opening will be continued today, and all who failed to see yesterday and last evening's display should avail themselves of the last opportunity before the big event is over. Last night a special orchestra rendered a very pleasing programme of classical selections.

Many Guests on the River.

Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones gave a boating party on the steamer "Wilmington" to their New York guests yesterday. The party was augmented by a number of Wilmington society people. All points of interest along the historic Cape Fear were visited and the guests enjoyed themselves until the return of the steamer at 5 o'clock.

Eat Farries' ice cream. There is none better. †

POLVOGT'S GREAT DISPLAY.

Annual Spring Opening at Favorite Dry Goods and Millinery Establishment Is Now in Progress.

The annual display of Spring millinery and dry goods at the fashionable establishment of the C. W. Polvogt Company, which began yesterday morning and which will continue until 7 o'clock this evening, is already a magnificent success. Both in point of attendance and magnificence of display, nothing could surpass the splendid record of yesterday. Early and late the ladies from far and near thronged every aisle and avenue on both floors of the large building and expressions of admiration and approval were frequent upon every lip. The store was especially attractive in an artistic decoration, conceived and executed under the direction of Mr. Allie Price, who is already an expert in that line.

The millinery display on the second floor was the mecca to which all the devotees of fashion journeyed soon after their arrival at the store. That department is under the very artistic and efficient management of Miss Lucie Besson, an accomplished milliner of exquisite taste. With Mr. Polvogt and Miss Leila McIver, Miss Besson spent some time North recently and visited all the leading establishments in several cities. Their selections were large, and according to the most exacting decrees of Dame Fashion. The hats are especially pretty and of the latest fads and fancies in the larger cities. Some of the popular styles are the "Lipton Sailor," the "Continental," the "Torpedo" and the "Napoleon." Among the leading shades are champagne, violet and white. The trimmings this Spring consist chiefly of flowers and ribbons, the soft materials being very generally used. There is a wealth of style and beauty in the display at the store, and the most discriminating buyer will find herself overcome with doubt as to which of the many lovely creations to choose. Everybody was delighted with the stock selected by Miss McIver, Miss Besson and Mr. Polvogt, and they received hundreds of compliments yesterday upon the taste displayed by them.

Mr. Polvogt says the sales yesterday were larger than upon any opening day in the previous history of his store and he is wonderfully pleased. The people of the city seem to appreciate an effort to please in fastidious styles of millinery and they demonstrated that fact in the big opening yesterday.

Not only in the millinery room but in every department of the store there is now an attractive display. The line of dress goods and notions far surpasses anything yet shown at the store. All the leading fabrics and shades are carried and the goods are in the hands of intelligent and capable salesmen and saleslades. The buyer finds shopping an easy and satisfactory diversion at Polvogt's.

No evening display will be made at the establishment this season, but next Fall Mr. Polvogt hopes to be "at home" in his handsome new store on North Front street.

TWO WEDDINGS LAST NIGHT.

Bladen Street Parsonage the Scene of Double Marriage Yesterday.

Mr. Chas. A. White, a popular young man of Wilmington, and Miss Ella Riggs, of East Wilmington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Riggs, were married by Rev. Geo. B. Webster at 8 o'clock last evening in the presence of a few friends at Bladen street parsonage. Mr. W. V. Hudson and Miss Lula Haas were the attendants. The young people received the happiest congratulations of friends and will leave to-day for Whiteville on a visit to the parents of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. White.

Immediately following the marriage of Miss Riggs and Mr. White, Rev. Mr. Webster joined in marriage Mr. Theodore Schrader, Jr., and Miss Lillian F. Orrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Orrell, all of this city. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a few special friends. Mr. and Mrs. Schrader will reside at No. 309 North Ninth street.

SMALLPOX IS STAMPED OUT.

City and County Now Free of Zymotic Disease—Vaccination of Children.

The city and health authorities are to be congratulated that there is not now, so far as they have information, a single case of smallpox in Wilmington or New Hanover county. The two cases, Mr. Elmer Matthews and Master Irvin Page, who had the disease in very light form, were discharged yesterday.

School children, however, continue to be vaccinated, that action being necessary to their continuance at school after to-morrow, according to the order of the school authorities upon recommendation by the Board of Health. Very few parents have objected to the preventative measure, but it is a fact that some have peremptorily refused to have their children vaccinated. What action will be taken after Friday, 18th, remains to be seen, but it is hardly believed under existing conditions that the order will be literally enforced.

— Mr. J. W. Morel, of Savannah, is in the city.

Ice cream. None better than our's once tried. We make you our customer. At Farries'. †

M'BEE PLAYS QUITS.

Now Willing to Withdraw from Unpleasant Receivership of A. & N. C. Railroad.

DEVELOPMENTS YESTERDAY.

Judge Purnell Talks of Misrepresentation and Reprehensible Conduct—Onslow Saloon Case--Democratic Hosts Gathering--Raleigh Notes.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 16.—The receivership of Capt. V. E. McBee, of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad, is practically at an end and it is understood that the road will pass into the hands of its regular officers to-morrow. While no official statement is made, it can be announced that both the Federal court complaint asking for the receiver and the State bench warrant for the prosecution of McBee and Finch are to be dropped. The matter of receivership comes up in the Federal court by regular appointment to-morrow. Judge Simonton failed to arrive, but Judge Purnell says he will himself dismiss the proceeding. He expresses indignation at the manner in which the proceeding was conducted and says the course of McBee and others in appearing before him for the appointment of a receiver was to say the least reprehensible, there having been gross misrepresentation to him.

McBee and counsel applied to him to-day to be allowed to withdraw the complaint on which the receiver was appointed but he declined, saying he would properly dispose of the whole matter in open court to-morrow.

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS.

The Supreme Court to-day hands down these opinions: Hargett vs. Bell, from Onslow; action dismissed. This was a suit to enjoin the saloon keepers from selling in a dry town when they had license from the commissioners, the saloons having been voted out after the license was issued. State vs. Dunn, from Lenoir, new trial; Land Company vs. Atlantic Hotel, from Carteret, no error; Wilson vs. Brown, from Pitt, no error; State vs. Green, from Craven, new trial; Bradshaw vs. Williams, from Duplin, per curiam, affirmed; Morgan Lumber Company, from Sampson, per curiam, affirmed, on the authority of Mizell vs. Burnett, 49 N. C. 247; Green vs. Railroad, 73 N. C. 524, and Drake vs. Howell, 133 N. C. 162.

HARRIS' NEGRO MOTION.

In the State Supreme Court to-morrow Col. J. C. L. Harris as counsel for Alfred Daniel, the murderer of Senator Simmons' father in Jones county, will apply for a writ of error to the United States Supreme Court, on the ground that the fourteenth amendment to the constitution was violated in his trial, in that negroes were excluded from the jury. This fight was made in the State court, but to no avail, the Supreme Court sustaining the findings of the lower court under which a death sentence is imposed.

THE STATE COMMITTEE.

A great number of State Democratic executive committeemen are already here for the meeting to-morrow night. Among the prominent citizens on the scene are Senator Simmons, Maj. Chas. M. Stedman, Lieutenant Governor Turner and others. Sheriff Stedman, of New Hanover, arrived this afternoon. The general opinion seems to be that the convention will be called to meet in Greensboro. That city did so well by the last convention that they want to go back there this year. There seems to be little or no sentiment among the committeemen for holding general primaries.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J. T. John, Jr., of John's Station, is in the city.

— Col. A. H. Slocomb, of Fayetteville, arrived yesterday.

— Geo. H. Currie, Esq., of Clarkton, was here yesterday.

— Mr. W. H. Pyke, of Southport, is a guest at The Orton.

— Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Stedman left yesterday for Raleigh.

— Mr. T. W. Brunchler, of Bennettsville, S. C., was here yesterday.

— Mr. W. C. Townsend, of Lowe, Robeson county, is in the city on a business trip.

— Rev. Father Marion, of Fayetteville, is in the city, the guest of Rev. Father C. Dennen.

— Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Walton and Miss Nellie Walton, of Richlands, N. C., were in the city yesterday.

— Mrs. Thos. S. Darden and children, of Brooklyn, have returned after a visit to relatives in the city.

— Hon. Robt. B. Scarborough, of Conway, S. C., was here yesterday on his way to Washington to take up his Congressional duties.

— Miss Annabel Jenkins, of Richmond, who has been the charming guest of Miss Anita DeRosset, will return home this morning.

— Mr. F. D. Cox, representing the well known general advertising agency of A. Frank Richardson, New York, was here yesterday and paid a very pleasant visit to this office.

— Mr. Neill S. McLaurin, who has been at home a few days convalescing from a recent injury at the shops in Florence, returned yesterday. He will, however, not be able to resume his regular duties before next week.

— Dr. and Mrs. George G. Thomas, Miss Bell Thomas, Dr. Pride J. Thomas, Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr., and Mr. George G. Thomas, Jr., left yesterday afternoon on A. C. L. private car No. 301 for a ten days' trip to Florida. The party will go down the East Coast to Palm Beach and then down the West Coast as far as Tampa.

HARDSHIP UPON EMPLOYES.

Arrest of Receiver McBee Makes Trouble for Men at Newbern.

Yesterday's Newbern *Journal* says: "The arrest of Receiver McBee seems to have worked a hardship upon the employes of the Atlantic and North Carolina road, as yesterday, the 15th, was pay day, and under the recent orders, there being no Mr. McBee to countersign orders, there were no orders issued upon the treasurer of the road, and the men went without their month's pay.

"This works considerable hardship, as many of the employes depend upon these wages for their sustenance, and with bills unpaid and no money in sight they felt last night, as if there was considerable wreckership in the situation for them.

"It is to be hoped that Mr. McBee can get back from Raleigh to-day and do his official duty in the matter. That such a situation could be brought about as permitting the employes of the road being left in such a predicament, speaks what possibilities there are in a wreckership."

Vanilla, chocolate, lemon, pineapple creams to day at Farries'. †

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Executrix Notice.

Having qualified as Executrix of the last will and testament of C. G. Eduard Peschau, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased to present them to me or my attorneys for payment on or before March 8, 1905, or this notice will be plead in bar thereof, and all persons indebted to the estate are requested to please make payment.

JOANNA PESCHAU, Executrix.
WADDELL & PESCHAU, Attorneys.
March 8th, 1904. th mar 10 6t

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Carpets, Rugs, Art Squares, Mattings and Oil Cloths. Dressing Cases, Travelling Bags, Trunks, all sizes. Handsome line of White Goods, Nainsooks, Dimities, Linen Lawn, Organdies, Mercerized Goods.

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WILLIAM H BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 17.

THE STRUGGLING MIDDLE CLASSES.

The organized labor vote of the United States will cut a big figure in the campaign this year. The labor of the country was never so closely knitted together as at the present time and it is to be reckoned with, especially in the large cities.

The condition of the employed throughout the country is not what the prosperity shouters would have it to be, and even the Republican organs acknowledge that with high prices and unsatisfactory industrial conditions, it is hard to make a living now. This state of affairs will no doubt cause thousands of hoodwinked Republican working men in the North to look to the Democratic party for relief.

We make room here for these remarks from the Washington *Post*, and they will be found both edifying and interesting at this time:

The New York *Commercial*, whose animosity toward organized labor is second only in intensity to its zeal for the cause of the stand-patters, is telling some important truths relative to the situation confronted by many people in New York and other cities. It asserts that in the metropolis to-day uncounted thousands of managers, accountants, clerks, solicitors, engineers, professional men, and small traders are engaged in a struggle to "make both ends meet;" that the marked and very general advance in wages has raised the cost of living enormously, and that the salaries and the incomes of these middle-class workers have not been advanced.

Part of that is what the *Post* has been saying for years, and that is why the urban vote, clear across the continent, has shown so strong a Democratic trend in recent elections. But for unusual prosperity in the farming regions, and its natural effect on the voting, the Republicans could not have elected the Fifty-eighth Congress. The one great cause of the increased cost of living, however, is not increase in wages, but an abnormally high scale of tariff taxes. But the *Commercial* fails to see it in that light. "Trades unionism," it says to the "struggling middle classes"—that "is the chief cause of all their troubles." Therefore, our stand-pat contemporary sounds this slogan to the strugglers:

"The time is ripe for them to array themselves solidly against organized labor, to stand shoulder to shoulder with the employers who are now organizing for resistance to the aggressions of the labor unions. Unionism is fattening on their misery. How long will they endure it!"

Is not that queer talk for a Republican paper, in view of the fact that the party's Presidential candidate is not merely a friend of organized labor, but a member of a trades union?

The Philadelphia *Prsss*, Republican, says this:

The tendency to reduce wages in many employments at this time is the natural result of a decline in the demand for the articles produced. At the same time the cost of living has not been reduced, but is rather on the increase. This makes an unfortunate situation and trouble can be avoided only by the exercise of good sense.

An investigation was recently made in nine of the leading cities of the tendency as to industrial wages, rents and prices of necessary articles of food and clothing. The average rate of wages remains practically stationary, with a weakening tendency. Rents in nearly all of the cities are advancing, while food and clothing are higher in price than was the case a few months ago.

This is in some degree, perhaps, due to the war in the East. Wheat, flour and other articles of food have advanced materially, already affecting retail prices to some extent. The speculation in cotton has greatly advanced the price of that article, while wool and other articles go up under similar influences. Prices advance as the result of a war, even when there is no increased demand.

Wages were slightly advanced during the last year in some lines, but not sufficient to increase the cost of food and clothing and rents. It was an increased cost of living that led to the demand for more wages. A further increase with a reduction in wages will naturally lead to trouble. But the talk is rather against any demand for an increase in wages than for a reduction, though there are various instances, such as that of the bituminous coal miners, where a reduction is insisted upon. Many industrial plants have shut down, which is a substitute for wage reductions.

The business situation is not such as to warrant any general reduction in wages. For that reason employers should be careful and not lead to strikes when they can be avoided, at a time when the cost of living is increasing rather than lowering.

JOHN R. MORRIS' POEMS.

A few months ago the STAR recorded the death of the lamented John R. Morris, of Goldsboro, a travelling man known far and near and greatly esteemed throughout the South. He was a brilliant man and was known as the "Poet Drummer." He wrote numbers of poems of true afflatus and lyric excellence, and his friends will read with interest the following from the Raleigh *News and Observer*:

There is talk in Baltimore of issuing a little booklet containing the poems of the late John R. Morris. The presence of this man is missed at Baltimore, but he is green in the memory of many friends.

John R. Morris represented the National Enamel and Stamping Company, which succeeded the firm of Mathis, Ingram & Co. He was greatly beloved by the officers and employes of that company and they are anxious that the book of brilliant sayings and beautiful verse be issued. It would be a good idea. There is no doubt that it would have a good sale, because John R. Morris was popular everywhere, and his ready wit made him famous throughout his entire territory.

Working Overtime.

Eight hour laws are ignored by those tireless little workers—Dr. King's New Life Pills. Millions are always at work, night and day, curing Indigestion, Biliousness, Constipation, Sick Headache and all Stomach, Liver and Bowel troubles. Easy, pleasant, safe and sure. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

A Father's Gratitude.

Many a Family in Wilmington will Appreciate the Following.

Many a strong man and many a healthy woman has much for which to thank father and mother. The care taken during their childhood brought them past the danger point and made them healthy men and women. Children are generally bothered at some period with incontinence of urine, and inability to retain it is ofttimes called a habit. It is not the children's fault—the difficulty lies with the kidneys, and can be readily righted if taken in the proper way. A Wilmington parent shows you how.

J. T. Ebert, of 515 South Sixth street, mattress maker, says: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills in my family. My little girl complained of severe pains in the small of her back, and the kidney secretions were dark and full of brickdust sediment. We were very much worried about her and when I learned of Doan's Kidney Pills I went up to R. R. Bellamy's drug store and got a box and gave them to her. Since using them she has improved wonderfully and is a different child. Her kidney secretions cleared up, she does not complain of her back, and in fact Doan's Kidney Pills gave her new life. We are very much pleased with them and you can use my name and welcome."

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Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Between Mr. Cleveland and Judge Parker, the majority of New York Democrats seem to prefer some one else.—*Washington Post.*

—— Japan is said to have no drug stores. It would be interesting to know where the Japs get their booze Sunday mornings.—*Jacksonville Times-Union.*

—— King Menelik is sending the President a hyena which howls all the time. Some of the Congressmen will want him placed under General Bristow's window. — *Washington Post.*

—— Peary has deferred his next arctic trip for a year. He is convinced that the pole will keep, owing to the excellent cold storage facilities in the vicinity.—*Washington Post.*

—— Florence merchants enjoyed a big trade on Saturday, the streets were filled, tho stores were busy and trade everywhere was flourishing. The dispensary is always the thermometer of trade and that institution showed sales of over $500, the biggest sales in that institution since away back in December.—*Florence Times.*

—— The United States Supreme Court has rendered a decision in the Northern Securities Company case, whereby it is declared that the proposed combination, or merger, of certain railroads in the Northwest is illegal. The court was almost equally divided on the question. Four judges united in an opinion that the merger or combination is contrary to the anti-trust laws. Four filed dissenting opinions and the fifth, while agreeing with the conclusions of the first four, filed a separate opinion. Notwithstanding this, the decision is against the formation of trusts and in that respect it is to be welcomed. While it is impossible to prevent various interests of whatever character from having a private agreement what prices shall be, if the principle is carried out that none of them can have a formal organization, perhaps such combinations can be eventually broken up, because organization, consolidation and restricting the expenses is the backbone of the trusts. We need not, however, expect any immediate results from the decision. —*Columbia Record.*

— At 2 o'clock Sunday morning at Oxford fire broke out in an outhouse on the lot of Mr. Ambrose Currin, on Hillsboro street. The sole occupant of the house was an aged colored woman well known in Oxford as "old Nancy Ann," and when the door was burst open her lifeless remains were near the door as if she had endeavored to escape. The fire originated inside the room and is supposed to have caught from the old woman's pipe.

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GROVER GRAHAM DYSPEPSIA REMEDY.

Try a 25-cent bottle and instantly correct all disorders of the digestive system. Do not hesitate, but act at once!

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GEORGE MOTT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Smithfield *Herald:* Ex Governor Renfrow, of Oklahoma, a native of Smithfield, was here last week week on a visit to friends after an absence of thirty four years. He has been very successful in his Western home.

— Newbern *Journal*: Everything tends towards a clearer showing as each day passes, that the scheme which secured the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad receivership, is part of a plan to force a lease, and to give this lease to parties through the receivership.

— At Southern Pines, on Sunday, a little two-year-old child of William Baldwin, colored, disappeared from home and could not be found. She had strayed off from the home about 60 yards, and with a tin cup attempted to dip some water out of an old spring, the result being that, next morning, she was found standing headforemost in the spring, dead.

— Mr. Andy Neel, who lives near the Gibson Mills, Cabarrus county, was robbed of $200 Tuesday evening by two unknown white men. The parties first made Mr. Neel drunk and then rifled his pockets of all the money he possessed, and then took the road leading to China Grove, leaving Mr. Neel helpless and drunk. Just as soon as the police got word of the robbery a pursuit was started and the two men were captured at Landis and all the money returned.

— Capt. J. D. Moore, of Gaston, went to Hudson Monday, in company with an official of the Carolina & Northwestern Railroad, to assist in locating a side-track to the place where the New Hudson Cotton Mill is to be erected. The stockholders will meet at Lenoir on Thursday, the 24th, to organize and elect, officers. The paid-in capital is $80,000; the amount subscribed already exceeds these figures. As soon after organization as possible active work on the plant will be begun and pushed to completion.

— P. K. McLean, a former resident of Southern Pines, who has lived in Greensboro for the past two years, is missing from his home in that town and foul play is suspected. His people all live in Moore county, and many inquiries have been received at Southern Pines to ascertain if he could be found. Mr. McLean has a wife and one daughter, who are now at the home of his brother, who resides about six miles from Southern Pines. Mr. McLean was employed as a collecting agent for an insurance company, and when last seen, was speaking of going out to a certain street to make his weekly collections.

— The city of Winston was called upon Tuesday to furnish transportation for a girl to return to her home in Greenboro. Her story was a sad one. She said that she became engaged to a young man in the employ of the Southern Railway, while he was working in Greensboro; that he left there and went to Winston. She swore out a warrant for his arrest, but he promised that if she would go to Winston he would marry her. She went, but the cruel man skipped out and she was unable to find him. The young woman then decided to return to her people.

— At a largely attended meeting of subscribers to the Bell Telephone Company at Greensboro on Tuesday night, the executive committee reported that it had been unable to obtain satisfactory action from the company in calling off the raise of rates recently announced to go in effect April 1st, and recommended the establishment of an independent system. Several thousand dollars of stock was subscribed and a committee appointed to obtain a charter from the city council. Pledges to support the new company were taken from 500 present subscribers to the Bell Company, out of a total of 600, for five years patronage of the new system.

— Charlotte *Observer*, March 16: To-morrow the first copy of the *American Cotton Manufacturer*, published by the American Cotton Manufacturing Publishing Company, will be issued from the presses of the *Observer* printing house. —— The most important case on the trial docket for the present term of the Superior Court is that of W. S. Orr, administrator of the estate of A. C. Orr, against the Southern Railway Company for damagages in the sum of $50,000 for the death of A. C. Orr last May. A. C. Orr was an engineer on the Southern and was killed in an accident near Belmont.

—Winston *Sentinel*: Capt. Henry, city engineer, made a practical test to day of his new invention—a water pressure producer—on which he has secured a patent. Several gentlemen witnessed the operation of the model to-day. It was conclusively shown that it is possible and practical to control at will the pressure in water mains. Two water pressure guages are attached to it, and at the beginning each showed the pressure of the present reservoir, and weighing the specially designed globe valve and the use of a force pump, one of the guages showed a pressure of 40 pounds, while the other remained at 10 pounds, the reservoir pressure. Capt. Henry says his invention can be installed for $5,000 and he guarantees that it will render better service than the old way of securing a pressure by a standpipe, the latter costing no less than $10,000. The Winston aldermen are considering the matter of having Capt. Henry to put in his "pressure producer" in connection with the new water plant. If it works well the city engineer will no doubt find a ready sale for his invention.

Trust those who have tried.

I suffered from catarrh of the worst kind and never hoped for cure, but Ely's Cream Balm seems to do even that.—Oscar Ostrom, 45 Warren Ave., Chicago, Ill.

I suffered from catarrh; it got so bad I could not work; I used Ely's Cream Balm and am entirely well.—A. C. Clarke, 341 Shawmut Ave., Boston, Mass.

The Balm does not irritate or cause sneezing. Sold by druggists at 50 cts. or mailed by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., New York.

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Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher.* The Kind You Have Always Bought

SUFFERED A THOUSAND DEATHS

Five Physicians had done their best to cure James Wilkes, of Dillon, S. C., who had one of the most terrible cases of RHEUMATISM on record. They all failed until one doctor prescribed—

Rheumacide

IT CURED HELPLESS CRIPPLE.

Mr. Wilkes writes in the course of a long letter, dated August 18, 1902: "My legs were drawn back until my feet touched my hips. I was as helpless as a baby for nearly 12 months. The muscles of my arms and legs were hard and shriveled up. I suffered death many times over. Was treated by six different physicians in McColl, Dillon and Marion, but none of them could do me any good, until Dr. J. P. Ewing, of Dillon, told me to try your RHEUMACIDE. I began to take it, and before the first bottle was used up I began to get better. I used 5½ bottles and was completely cured." Dr. J. P. Ewing confirms Mr. Wilkes' statement in every particular.

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TWINKLINGS

— Polly Pinktights—The new prima donna is the scrappiest thing I ever saw. Fanny Footlights—Naturally. She used to sing in a church choir.—*Philadelphia Record.*

— Automobile Dealer—This machine we guarantee can be stopped in three lengths, going at full speed. Prospective Purchaser—Um m-m! Which side up?—*Town and Country.*

— English Tourist—I suppose there is a great deal of work attached to the presidency of this country? American—There is when you are looking for renomination.—*Town Topics.*

— Mrs. La Salle—And Philadelphia—are things really slow there? Mr. La Salle (who has just returned from the East)—Slow? Why, a Chicago man could dodge lightning in Philadelphia.—*Life.*

— "Oh, I've found a grand intelligence office," said Mrs. Van Albert. "Charge you $1 for one cook?" asked her husband. "One? Why, they agreed to let me have four cooks for $3.98."—*Chicago Daily News.*

— Judge you admit you sandbagged the man. Have you any excuse? Prisoner—Yes, your honor. De sandbag was me own property, and J. P. Morgan says a man has de right ter do wot he pleases wit' his own property.—*Puck.*

— Adele: Why was Maud so disappointed in her wedding presents? Estelle: All the silverware was marked, and she cannot use any of the pieces for presents when he friends marry.—*Philadelphia Bulletin.*

— "Fortune, you know, knocks at every man's door once." "That explains it." "Explains what?" "How we came to miss her. Why in thunder doesn't she ring the bell? We never pay any attention to knocks."—*Pittsburg Post.*

English Street Names.

The English towns have more distinctive and interesting names for their streets than American towns, in most of which many streets are simply numbered. London's Cheapside and Aldwych are more than matched by oddities many times stranger. Bootham is a street in York and Botchergate in Carlisle. Norwich is assertive of class distinctions in its Gentleman's walk, and Shrewsbury may stand almost at the head of a list of peculiarities with its street labeled Dogpole, which may or may not be related to Newcastle's Dogleap Stairs; but, then, Newcastle has Pudding Chare, and what may that signify?

The First Glass Cups.

The first glass cups were made at Alexandria. Some were colored like Bohemian glass and decorated with glass pastes, imitating precious stones and cameos. Some were opaline, others clear as crystal and still others formed of opaque layers welded together like the famous Portland vase, in which the white upper layer had been cut away like that of a cameo, leaving a blue ground around the figures.

Anticipated Him.

"I ran across a remarkable jeu d'esprit the other day," said the casual acquaintance who is ambitious to be entertaining.

"I'm sorry," said Mr. Cumrox, "but my wife has just returned from Europe with a whole lot of art treasures, and I shouldn't have any place to hang it even if I bought it."—Washington Star.

Thinks Well of Himself.

"Isn't it strange," remarked Mrs. Billins to her husband, "that I can never get a good bargain in shoes?"

"You did once," said her husband.

"When was that?"

"When you got me."—Chicago Record-Herald.

A Lost Pleasure.

Mrs. Noorich—Isn't it grand to ride in your own carriage?

Mr. Noorich—Yes, but I'd enjoy it more if I could only stand on the pavement and see myself ride by.

The Modest Carver.

"Henry, at our next little dinner we won't have any carving done on the table."

"Good. That's where I generally do it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Cautious Compliment.

"How do you like my new hat?"

"Is it all paid for?"

"Yes."

"It's perfectly beautiful."—Detroit Free Press.

Have Doctors and Undertakers Formed a Partnership?

The doctors nearly killed me. They all thought I had consumption, and my room looked like an apothecary shop. I tried one bottle of Cheney's Expectorant and feel 100 per cent. better. This in addition to no more doctors' bill, for I am a well man.

E. A. PEET.

Mobile, Ala.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

DR. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION FOR WEAK WOMEN.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, March 16.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market firm at $1.50 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.25 per barrel for hard, $4.00 for dip, $4.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 65c; rosin firm at $1.95@2.00; tar firm at $1.65; crude turpentine firm at $2.25, 4.00@4.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	15
Rosin	—
Tar	70
Crude turpentine	16

Receipts same day last year—12 casks spirits turpentine, 292 barrels rosin, 556 barrels tar, 23 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market dull at 15½c per pound for middling.

Same day last year, market firm at 9½c for middling.

Receipts—469 bales; same day last year, 100.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 90c; extra prime, 95c; fancy, $1.00, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, $1.05.

CORN—Firm; 57½@60c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 12½@13c per pound; shoulders, 12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Dull at 10@12½c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 25@35c; springs, 15@22c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12½@13c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60@65c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2½@4c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, March 16.—Money on call easy at 1½ per cent.; last bid — per cent., offered at 1½ per cent.; time loans easy; sixty days 3@3½ per cent.; ninety days 3@3½ per cent.; six months 3½@4½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange firm; actual business in bankers' bills at 486 80@486.85 for demand and at 484.10@484.15 for sixty-day bills. Posted rates 484½@485 and 487½@488. Commercial bills 483½@484. Bar silver 56½. Mexican dollars 44½. U. S. refunding 2's, registered, 105; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 105½; U.S. 3's, reg'd, 106½; do. coupon, 106½; U. S. 4's, new, reg'd, 132½; U. S. 4's, new, coupon, 132½; U. S. 4's, old, reg'd, 106½; do. coupons, 108½; U. S. 5's, registered, —; do. coupon, —; Southern Railway, 5's, 112½. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 87½; Chesapeake & Ohio 30½; Manhattan L 142; New York Central 115; Reading 41½; do. 1st pref'd, 78½; do. 2nd pref'd 57½; Southern Railway 20½; do. pref'd 83½; Amalgamated Copper 46½; People's Gas 95½; Tennessee Coal and Iron 38; U. S. Leather 6½; U. S. Leather, preferred, 77½; Western Union 88½; U. S. Steel 11½; do. preferred 57½; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 30½; sales — shares; do. preferred, closed 104; sales — shares. Standard Oil 118.

BALTIMORE, MD., March 16.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 10½@10½; do. preferred, 17½@17½; do. bonds, fours, —. Atlantic Coast Line, common, 107@108; do. preferred. —.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Rosin quiet. Spirits turpentine quiet at 61½@62.

CHARLESTON, March 16.—Spirits turpentine and rosin nominal; nothing doing. Quotations omitted.

SAVANNAH, March 16.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 58c; receipts 218 casks; sales 168 casks; exports 934 casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 572 barrels; sales — barrels; exports 3,278 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $2 45; D, $2 45; E, $2 50; F, $2 55; G, $2 60; H, $2 65; I, $2 95; K, $3 30; M, $3 35; N, $3 40; W G, $3 60; W W $3 90.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, March 16.—The cotton market weak at a decline of sixteen to twenty-two points on the old and of six to seven points on the new crop months under room selling and liquidation following disappointing cables, the outlook for larger receipts and the prospect of rain in the southwestern belt. At first the bears seemed to lack confidence and there was a little bull support on the call, with the result that during the first ten minutes the market ruled fairly steady, in some instances selling over the opening prices. But as it appeared that buying orders were limited, offerings became more aggressive and soon the market was working rapidly downward. New Oleans seemed to be selling; there were rumors that a powerful bear clique had been organized, and reports continued to come in as to the unsatisfactory conditions of spot demand, while it was pointed out that stocks at both interior points and ports are gradually accumulating, being now above last year's figures in both cases. In addition to this private wires were received stating that cotton was being offered with surprising freedom in the interior. The estimates for tomorrow's receipts at Houston and Galveston were light, leading to brief intervals of steadiness, but generally speaking the market worked steadily downward, catching stop orders on the long side before midday after which the liquidation through wire houses accelerated the decline. Brokers believed to be representing the bull leader bought the Summer months shortly after midday and with some room covering rallied the market about ten points, but a little later these gains were lost in another wave of bear pressure and the low price to day was reached in the middle of the afternoon when March, selling at 15 34, May at 15.60, and July at 15 68, were from sixty-seven to seventy-two points net lower, while the new crop was at a decline of about twenty-five points. Following this there was considerable irregularity, with sentiment evidently very nervous and unsettled and there were slight recoveries. The market was finally steady at a net decline of twenty to fifty-seven points, with sales estimated at 700,000 bales. There was considerable selling by commission houses on the break, but aside from this trading was chiefly professional, and it did not appear that the local bull leader made any very serious effort to check the downward course of the market. Port receipts for the day were within about a thousand bales of last year and exports continue light, though the freer movement of cotton to the ports would indicate increased shipment in the near future.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Cotton weak at 16.00c, net receipts — bales; gross receipts 1,280 bales; stock 91,823 bales.

Spot cotton closed weak and 45 points lower; middling uplands 16.00; middling gulf 16.25c; sales 10 bales.

Cotton futures market closed steady; March 15.54, April 15.50, May 15 75, June 15 57, July 15.79, August 15.17, September 13.55, October 12.65, November 12.42, December 12.38.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 13,345 bales; exports to Great Britain 311 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 5,134 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico 1,450 bales; stock 603,123 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 43,269 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,824 bales; exports to France 172 bales; exports to the Continent 9,538 bales; exports to Japan 50 bales; exports to Mexico 1,500 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,566,348 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,986,348 bales; exports to France 647,102 bales; exports to the Continent 2,263,213 bales; exports to Japan 38,971 bales; exports to Mexico 25,471 bales.

March 16.—Galveston, easy at 15½c, net receipts 3,957 bales; Norfolk, not received, net receipts 800 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 16.50, net receipts — bales; Boston, dull at 16 45, net receipts 223 bales; Wilmington, dull at 15.50c, net receipts 469 bales; Philadelphia, weak at 16.25c, net receipts 557 bales; Savannah, dull at 15½, net receipts 1,478 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 15½c, net receipts 5,866 bales; Mobile, nominal at 15½c, net receipts 22 bales; Memphis, nominal at 15½c, net receipts 2,254 bales; Augusta, nominal at 15½c, net receipts 914 bales; Charleston, nominal at 15½c, net receipts 273 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Flour was very dull. Rye flour dull. Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 $1 02. Options—Reports of rain in Kansas precipitated a general violent break in wheat to-day and last prices showed 1½@2c net decline: May closed $1 00½; July closed 96½c; September closed 87 13-16c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 nominal. Option market was more active and weaker to-day, sharing the wheat decline and closing 1c below yesterday; May closed 58½c; July closed 56c; September closed 55c. Oats—Spot weak; No. 2 48½c. Lard weak; Western steam $7 45; refined lard weak; compound 6½@7c. Butter unsettled; extra fresh creamery 24@24½c; State dairy 14@21c. Cheese firm; State, full cream fancy, small colored, September 12; late made 10½; small white, September 12; late made 10½c. Eggs weak and lower; State and Pennsylvania nearby average finest 15. Peanuts steady; fancy hand-picked 5½c; other domestic 3½@6½c. Potatoes steady; Long Island $3 00@3 37; Jerseys $2 75@3 12; Jersey sweets $1 50@4 00; State and Western sacks $2 60@2 70. Cabbage firm; domestic, per ton, $25 00@35 00; Florida, barrel and crate, $2 50@3 50. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 10c. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 3c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3½c; molasses sugar 2½c; refined firm. Rice steady. Pork steady. Tallow quiet. Cotton seed oil—In line with freer offerings and weakness displayed in hog products, cotton seed oil showed further decline to-day. Prices closed: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 30½@31c; prime summer yellow 37c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 41c; prime winter yellow 41½c.

CHICAGO, March 16.—Indications of an effectual break in the Kansas-Oklahoma drouth knocked 2½c to-day from the price of July wheat. The May delivery closed at a net loss of 1½c. Corn is down 1½@1½c, oats ½c and provisions 10 to 20c.

CHICAGO, March 16.—Cash prices: Flour quiet, steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring —; No. 3 spring 88@97c; No. 2 red 95½@99c. Corn—No. 2 51½c; No. 2 yellow 52½c. Oats—No. 2 39@39½c; No. 2 white —c; No. 3 white 41@43c. Rye—No. 2, 72c. Mess pork, per bbl., $13 75@13 87½. Lard, per 100 lb., $6 90@7 00. Short rib sides, loose, $6 87½@7 00. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, no report. Short clear sides, boxed, $7 25@7 37½. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 28.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May 97@97½, 97½, 96½, 96½c; July, old, 93½@93½, 94, 92, 92½c; do., new, 92½@92½, 92½, old, 86½@87, 88, 86½, 87½c; do., new, 90½, 90½; September, 87½@87½, 87½, 86, 86c. Corn—No. 2 May 54@54½, 54½, 53½, 53½@53½c; July 51½@52, 52, 50½, 50½@50½c; September 51@51½, 51½, 50, 50c. Oats—No. 2 May 40½, 41, 40, 40½; July 38½@39, 39@39½, 38½, 38½@38½c; September 33½@33½, 33½, 33½, 33½c. Mess pork, per bbl—May $13 87½, 13 90, 13 77½, 13 82½; July $14 10, 14 12½, 14 02½, 14 05. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $7 22½, 7 22½, 7 10, 7 15; July $7 40, 7 40, 7 27½, 7 30. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $7 17½, 7 17½, 7 07½, 7 10; July $7 27½, 7 27½, 7 20, 7 22½.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; mild steady. The market for coffee futures opened steady at unchanged prices, ruled generally quiet, becoming a little easier and slightly more active in the afternoon under scattering liquidation. The close was steady at unchanged prices to a decline of 5 points. Sales 33,000 bags.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—5 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 42 barrels tar.

W. & W. Railroad—36 bales cotton, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—417 bales cotton, 14 barrels tar, 7 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & N. Railroad—7 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 7 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Sanders—4 bales cotton, 12 casks spirits turpentine, 14 barrels tar.

Total—469 bales cotton, 15 casks spirits turpentine, 70 barrels tar, 16 barrels crude turpentine.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, March 16.—Cotton: Spot, moderate business; prices four points lower; American middling fair 8.78d; good middling 8.62d; middling 8.52d; low middling 8.42d; good ordinary 8.32d; ordinary 8.12d. The sales of the day were 6,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 5,100 bales American. Receipts 1,000 bales, no American.

Futures opened quiet and closed easy; American middling (g o c): March 8.20d; March and April 8.19d; April and May 8.18d; May and June 8.18d; June and July 8.16d; July and August 8.14d; August and September 7.89d; September and October 7.15d; October and November 6.83d; November and December 6.72d.

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List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., March 17.

SCHOONERS.

Montana, 337 tons, Booye, C D Maffitt.

Jno R Fell, 281 tons, Loveland, C D Maffitt.

A B Sherman, 510 tons, Johnson, C D Maffitt.

Edith H Symington, 881 tons, Stiles, C D Maffitt.

Charles S Hirsch, 530 tons, Brown, to master.

City of Nassau, 78 tons, Munroe, to master.

C C Lane, 306 tons, Kelley, (in distress) C D Maffitt.

BARQUES.

Baltimore, 679 tons, Lablanche, C D Maffitt.

Broderfolket, (Nor) 638 tons, Klouman, Heide & Co.

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State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover. } In the Superior Court.

M. M. Mann, Guardian, vs. H. M. Bowden.

This is an action brought by plaintiff against the defendant for the recovery of thirteen hundred dollars borrowed money with interest at eight per cent. from July 1, 1891; that an attachment has been issued against the defendant and levied upon a one-third undivided interest of the defendant in and to a certain lot of Land in the City of Wilmington, being parts Lots 1 and 2 Block 219, and same conveyed by J. O. Bowden to H. M. Bowden, Trustee, by deed duly registered in Book A A, page 519 of the records of New Hanover county. And it appearing to the Court that the defendant is a non-resident and has property in this State and can not after due diligence be found in this State, and that a cause of action exists in plaintiff's favor against the defendant for the recovery of the said sum of thirteen hundred dollars, due by said promissory note.

Now notice is hereby given that the defendant be and appear before the Superior Court of this County to be held on the fourth day of April, 1904 and answer or demur to the complaint this day filed, or judgment will be granted according to the prayer thereof.

This 24th day of February, 1904.

JNO. D. TAYLOR, Clerk Superior Court.

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STATEMENT

HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF HARTFORD, CONN.

CONDITION DECEMBER 31ST, 1903, AS SHOWN BY STATEMENT FILED.

Capital paid in cash	$ 1 250 000 00
Amount Ledger Assets Dec. 31st previous year	11 036,858 99
Income—From Policy-holders, $10,073,791 71; Miscellaneous, $419,535 98; Total	10,323,3 8 6[illegible]
Disbursements—To Policy-holders, $5 068,124 03; Miscellaneous, $4,061,374 49; Total	9 129 498 52
Fire Risks—Written or renewed during year, $907 515,827 00; In force	1,295,543,8 8 00
ASSETS.	
Value of real estate (less amount of encumbrances)	$ 910 500 00
Mortgage loans on real estate	734 359 00
Loans on Stocks, Bonds and other Collaterals	4 800 00
Value of Bonds and Stocks	10,183 874 85
Cash in Home office and deposited in Banks	479 074 50
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1903	1,098,330 00
Interest and Rents, due and accrued	11 755 14
All other Assets detailed in statements	1,150,278 79
Total	$14,5[illegible] 952 23
Less assets, not admitted	26,590 93
Total admitted Assets	$14 516,361 35
LIABILITIES.	
Losses and claims unpaid	$ 9[illegible]4 892 82
Unearned Premiums	8,053,[illegible] 59
All other Liabilities as detailed in statement	346 790 00
Total liabilities as to policy-holders	$ 9 355,155 41
Capital paid up in cash	$ 1,250,000 00
Surplus	3 911 205 94
Total Liabilities	$14,516,361 35
BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA IN 1903	
Fire Risks written, $6,702,900 00; Premiums received	78,586 08
Losses incurred — Fire, $44,619 86; Paid	48 819 50
Losses now Unpaid	904 00

President—GEORGE L. CHASE

Secretary—P. C. ROYCE.

Home Office, No. 53 Trumbell street, Hartford, Conn.

General Agent for service, J. VAN B METTS, Wilmington, N. C.

Business Manager for North Carolina, THOS. EGBERTON, ATLANTA, GA.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, INSURANCE DEPARTMENT RALEIGH N. C. February 12 1904.

I, JAMES R. YOUNG, Insurance Commissioner do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Hartford Insurance Company, of Hartford, Connecticut, filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1903.

Witness my hand and official seal, the day and date above written.

JAMES R. YOUNG, Insurance Commissioner.

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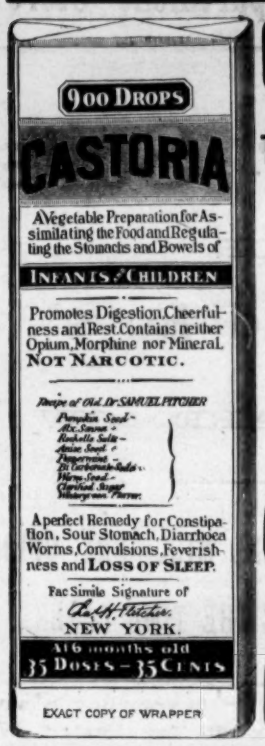
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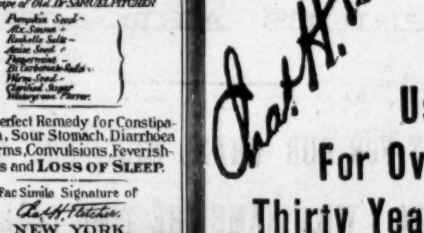

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Murchison National Bank,

of Wilmington, N. C.,

At close of business Jan. 22, 1904. (Began Business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,200,218 50	Capital	$ 200,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	350,000 00	Surplus and net profits	113,041 46
Bank Building	99,500 00	Circulation	350,000 00
Cash on hand and in Banks	663 768 29	Deposits	1,330,436 33
	$2,123,477 79		$2,123,477 79

Comparative statement of deposits.

Jan. 22nd, 1902, $657,506 78. Jan. 22nd, 1903, $1,304,819 99 Jan. 22nd, 1904, $1,330,436 33.

H. C. McQUEEN, President,

J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

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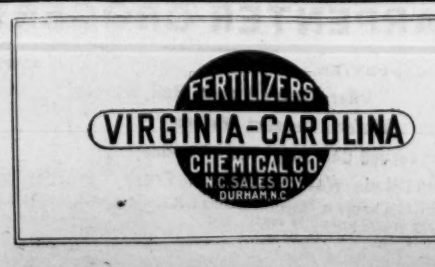

FIFTH WHEEL TO THE COACH

By BALDWIN SEARS

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"How many of us are there?" asked Maisie as she cut the sandwiches.

Caroline Lawson, busily packing the basket, stopped and counted on her fingers: "You, Tom Beaufort, of course—when are you going to accept him, Maisie?—Nora, Reggie, Arbuthnot and I. Oh, yes, and 'R. G.,' so be sure to make enough."

Maisie Brown looked up with a queer light in her usually gentle eyes. "Is 'R. G.,' as you call Mr. Gordon, a woman hater?" she asked steadily.

Caroline stared. "Mercy, no! What put that into your head, child?"

"Why, he is always the odd man." Maisie blushed as she said it.

Caroline laughed. "Oh, R. G. is a confirmed chaperon," she answered carelessly; "in other words, an old bachelor. He likes to be with the crowd, but he doesn't care a bit for a particular girl. He's always been that way. He wouldn't know what to do if we invited a girl especially for him."

"I see," said Maisie slowly.

Up the sandy road from the pier came two men in white ducks. They lifted their caps at sight of the girls.

"Sorry to be so late," said Arbuthnot. "We were waiting for R. G. He couldn't come. He's down at the dock fixing something for a small boy. He says he'll be ready for us by the time we get there. I never knew such a fellow. He's always busy helping some one else when you want him to help you."

"What a naive confession!" laughed Caroline.

"I'm sure you haven't heard a word I've been saying," murmured Tom Beaufort reproachfully at Maisie's shoulder.

"I beg your pardon," she answered confusedly. "I was thinking of something I wanted to do."

"It must have been something very nice, you look so happy," said Beaufort. "Just stand still a minute and let me snap the camera. Even if the thought wasn't for me the look may be."

"I WANT TO ASK YOU SOMETHING."

"Let me have it," begged Maisie as they leaned against the hand rail of the pier and watched R. G., who was busily helping the small boy, whose rigging had got fouled aloft.

"Oh, Mr. Gordon!"

R. G. turned quickly at the sound of Maisie's voice. "Do you want me, Miss Brown?" he called and then flushed under his many coats of sunburn as the camera clicked, and Maisie nodded, laughing mischievously. "Thank you very much."

"The old boy didn't expect that," murmured Beaufort.

"I hope he didn't mind," answered Maisie anxiously. "I must ask him." But she appeared to have forgotten all about it until half an hour after they had started, and Beaufort, having schemed her up into the bow, where there was room for only two, was just congratulating himself that his long looked for chance had come when Miss Maisie remarked innocently: "Oh, there's Mr. Gordon steering, and he said he'd show me how the very next time we came out sailing. You'll excuse me, won't you?"

"What now?" soliloquized Tom ruefully as he looked after her. "I dare say she's sorry for the old fellow because he's down there all alone. Wouldn't R. G. be tickled if he knew. I don't suppose he's ever had an heiress set herself out to amuse him before—not such a pretty one anyhow. Well, I love her all the more for doing it, and I'll tell her so by and by too."

Serenely unconscious of these kind intentions on the part of her admirer, Maisie walked over and perched herself on the rail beside the man at the wheel.

Raleigh Gordon let his gaze waver for a moment from the taut spread of canvas leaning to windward. Why had she chosen the time of all others when he must keep a firm hand on the wheel to remind him of his promise to let her steer?

"Mr. Gordon—no, I don't want to try now," as the loosely knit figure made a movement toward rising—"I'll just sit here and watch you and learn the beginnings of the art by observation." She smiled up at him.

Then she became very sober. "I just came to ask you—to say—the fact is—I want to ask you something."

"Oh, R. G., please let Tom take the wheel for a minute and open this alcohol lamp, there's a dear," begged Caroline in despairing accents. "We want to get lunch, and nobody can unscrew the thing."

"Don't go," said R. G. hurriedly. "I'll come back. I want to hear what you were going to tell me."

But somehow he did not get a chance to ask her all that day. Somebody or other wanted him to do something or other every minute, and when he could have talked to her Beaufort was always claiming her attention.

"But it wouldn't have made any difference in the eternal scheme of things," he said to himself, with something more like a sigh than anything he had ever permitted himself before.

"We are going out on Arbuthnot's drag tomorrow afternoon," said Caroline later. "Do be nice to Tom. The poor fellow begins to look desperate. Isn't it unnecessarily cruel to keep him in suspense, my dear?"

Maisie did not answer for a moment. She looked back toward the end of the dock, where R. G. had stopped to help a disconsolate youngster whose fishing tackle had caught among the piles beneath the pier. "He won't have to bear the suspense much longer," she said reflectively. "I'm going home the day after tomorrow."

It was Tom Beaufort, of course, who came to fetch her and Caroline when the coach stopped for them. Maisie smiled at Tom and thanked him sweetly as he helped her up, then mounted deliberately into the wrong seat.

"Oh, that's not where you're to sit!" exclaimed Caroline and Tom in a breath, staring helplessly from below.

Maisie smiled radiantly as she squeezed herself in between a deaf old gentleman, who beamed appreciatively, and R. G., who, as always, sat among the chaperons. "Isn't it?" she answered innocently, and then she turned to R. G. "I love the back seat. Don't you?" she said.

He looked at her thoughtfully. His gray eyes held a spark that matched and might have caught from Maisie's own. "I love whatever you will let me share with you," he said simply. "I only wish it could be life."

Maisie kept her eyes on her lap. "Now I'll never have to ask you that question," she said slowly.

"What question is that?" he demanded.

"The one I didn't finish the other day. I wanted to ask you whether you were a woman hater." And then she looked up at him, and, oh, how beautiful she was!

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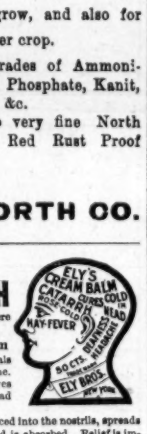

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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, January 22, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$ 996,214 80
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		545 02
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		125,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		175,000 00
Stocks, securities, etc.		32,000 00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		20,000 00
Other Real Estate owned		10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		93,435 45
Due from State Banks and Bankers		193,317 94
Due from approved reserve agents		107,066 36
Notes of other National Banks	$3,500 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,951 06	
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie	$40 500 00	
Legal tender notes	$81,000 00	$106,951 06
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		5,400 00
Total		$1,883,768 09

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	$125,000 00	
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	70,137 87	195,137 87
National Bank notes outstanding		125,000 00
Due to other National Banks	193,797 26	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	250,460 72	
Dividends unpaid	413 00	
Individual deposits subject to check	730,533 18	
Cashiers checks outstanding	20,689 26	
United States deposits	172,800 00	1,368,630 22
Total		$1,883,768 09

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, Andrew Moreland, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of November, 1903.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
C. W. YATES,
WM. CALDER, } Directors.
D. McEACHERN,

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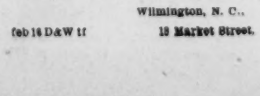
Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad.

Time Table No. 16



To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. 3 Passg'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Passg'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
	5 40	Goldsboro	11 06	
	4 32	Kinston	10 13	
5 40	5 50	Newbern	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City	7 19	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at New bern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 23 tf S. L. DILL, Supt.

SCHEDULE

CONSOLIDATED RAILWAYS,

LIGHT & POWER COMPANY.

Effective February 24, 1904

LEAVE

Wilmington	Wrightsville for Wil.	Beach.
*† 7.00 A. M.	8.10 A. M.	.....
10.00 A. M.	11.17 A. M.	11.00 A. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.	5.00 P. M.
*5.10 P. M.	7.00 P. M.	.....
10.00 P. M.	10.30 P. M.	Saturday only

*Daily except Sunday.
†Will not run beyond Wrightsville unless there are passengers for the Beach.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Jan. 10, 1904

NORTHBOUND.

	No 43	No 42
Lv Wilmington	2 30 a m	8 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	5 21 p m	9 35 p m
Ar Wilson	1 16 p m	10 35 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	8 45 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 56 p m	1 48 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 55 p m	3 02 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 05 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 22 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	2 25 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 57 p m	2 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 31 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 38 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 06 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 51 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 10 p m
Ar Wilson	11 33 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 45 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 30 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 26 a m	7 30 p m	3 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 55 p m	6 05 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	2 50 a m	9 12 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	8 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 25 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily
Lv Tampa	5 05 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	8 00 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	8 14 p m	5 55 a m
Ar Florence	7 59 p m	9 25 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 5 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 18 p m	Ar 4 05 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	2 25 p m	Ar 12 25 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 50 a m

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Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington 3:10 p. m. arrive Lumberton 5:35 p. m., Pembroke 6:00 p. m., Maxton 6:46 p. m., Hamlet 7:35 p. m. arrive Charlotte 10:45 p. m.

TRAIN 15 Leaves Wilmington 9:00 p. m. arrives Lumberton 9:15 a. m., Pembroke 9:35 a. m., Maxton 4:05 a. m., Hamlet 5:00 a. m.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5:01 a. m., Hamlet 8:40 a. m. arrives Maxton 9:25 a. m., Pembroke 10:02 a. m., Lumberton 10:37 a. m. Wilmington 12:45 p. m.

TRAIN 14 Leaves Hamlet 10:45 p. m. arrives Maxton 13:55 a. m., Pembroke 1:30 a. m., Lumberton 2:15 a. m. Wilmington 7:00 a. m.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	7 35 a m	10 15 p m
Ar Monroe	9 10 a m	11 55 a m
Ar Charlotte	10 05 a m	.....
Ar Chester	10 30 a m	1 10 a m
Ar Greenwood	1 30 p m	4 17 a m
Ar Athens	3 50 p m	5 55 a m
Ar Atlanta	8 55 p m	7 30 a m

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	7 15 a m	10 10 p m
Ar Columbia	10 30 a m	1 05 a m
Ar Savannah	2 00 p m	4 45 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 00 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Tampa	6 15 a m	6 35 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	8 30 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	11 30 a m
Ar Norlina	3 23 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7 30 a m	5 30 p m
Ar Norfolk		

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	7 30 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	10 55 a m
Ar Norlina	3 23 a m	1 20 p m
Ar Richmond	9 10 a m	4 58 p m
Ar Washington	9 50 a m	5 36 p m
Ar Baltimore	11 34 p m	11 26 p m
Ar New York	4 18 p m	6 10 p m

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SOUTHBOUND.

Lv New York	12 55 p m
Lv Jersey City	1 15 p m
Lv Philadelphia	3 35 p m
Lv Baltimore	5 45 p m
Lv Washington	7 00 p m
Lv Richmond	10 25 p m
Ar Raleigh (Johnson St)	2 10 a m
Ar Southern Pines	3 54 a m
Lv Hamlet	4 50 a m
Ar Camden	6 35 a m
Ar Columbia (E. T.)	7 94 a m
Lv Columbia (C. T.)	8 00 a m
Ar Savannah	9 45 a m
Ar Thalmann	11 94 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Lv Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Ar St. Augustine	2 30 p m

NORTHBOUND.

Lv St. Augustine	12 10 p m
Ar Jacksonville	1 10 p m
Lv Jacksonville	4 20 p m
Ar Thalmann	5 07 P M
Lv Savannah	5 00 p m
Ar Columbia (C. T.)	8 30 p m
Lv Columbia (E. T.)	8 40 p m
Ar Camden	10 14 p m
Ar Hamlet	11 55 p m
Ar Southern Pines	12 49 p m
Lv Raleigh	2 42 a m
Ar Richmond	6 45 a m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	11 32 a m
Ar Philadelphia	1 45 p m
Ar Jersey City	3 55 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m

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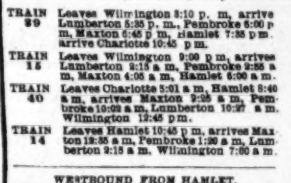

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 17.

ANOTHER PENSION GRAB.

The Extent to Which It Will Augment the Necessity for Further Appropriations Cannot be Told.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Commissioner of Pensions Ware, with the approval of Secretary Hitchcock, to-day promulgated the most important pension ruling that has been issued in a long time. It directs that beginning April 13 next, if there is no contrary evidence and all legal requirements have been met, claimants for pension under the general act of June 27, 1890, who are over 62 years old shall be considered as disabled one-half in ability to perform manual labor and shall be entitled to $6 a month; over 65 years, to $8 per month; over 68 years, to $10, and over 70 to $12, the usual allowance at higher rates continuing for disabilities other than age. The order will not be retroactive.

Commissioner Ware, just before leaving for a trip south for his health, said the order would save both the old soldiers and the government a great deal of money and time. He said it was based on the Mexican war legislation of 1887, approved by President Cleveland, which placed all the Mexican war veterans on the pension roll thirty-nine years after the close of the war.

"The extent to which it will augment the necessity for further appropriations cannot be told. It will, without doubt, increase the payments to some extent, but no one is able to fix the amount. The bureau has not considered that as the proper element of consideration. I did not think, however, that the increased expense in the long run will be very noticeable, because the death rate is always to be considered, and there is also to be considered the fact that the ones to whom we give the pension without proof other than their ages, would have proven themselves anyhow under former circumstances as entitled to the pension by reason of their disabilities."

THE ISTHMIAN CANAL.

Prof. Burr's Report on Sanitation of the Panama Route.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to-day further heard Prof. Wm. H. Burr on the question of sanitation of the Panama canal route. The isthmian canal commission had, he said, regarded the subject as one of the greatest importance. The work of sanitation would be chiefly the construction of water works and a sewage system for the cities of Panama and Colon, and drainage of districts between those cities. He estimates the cost at $3,000,000. The completion of the canal, he said, could be accomplished in eight or nine years.

The committee in an executive session decided to call for the journal and expense account of the late Isthmian canal commission. The commission never has made a report and the committee, in considering the matter of granting the present canal commission certain authority, deem it wise to learn the nature of the expenditures made by its predecessor. Over one million dollars was expended by this commission.

THE POSTOFFICE REPORT.

Work of the Investigating Committee--New Deals Hinted At.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 16. — The special investigating committee of the House on the postoffice report has, it is understood, received the report known as "Exhibit Q." This document never has been made public and the feeling created among members by the thorough manner in which the special committee is dealing with the task assigned it is growing somewhat intense.

Revelations of new "deals" are hinted at in the cloak rooms. In the meanwhile the special committee is carrying on its work behind closed doors. An all day session was held to-day. After adjournment Chairman McCall announced that the committee had addressed a letter to each member of the House mentioned in the report, requesting him, if he so desired, to make a statement to the committee, either orally or in writing, touching the correctness of the statement in the report.

AMERICAN MISSIONARIES

Refused to Send Their Women and Children to a Place of Safety.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—United States Minister Allen cabled the State Department from Seoul, under to-day's date, that the Cincinnati arrived yesterday at Chemulpo with twenty-three Americans from Chinampo. The minister announced that the missionaries in the neighborhood of Ping Yang had refused to send their women and children aboard the Cincinnati, where they could be taken to a place of safety.

The State Department has made it clear to the missionaries' representatives in this country that in case of actual war it cannot undertake to employ the United States army and navy in expeditions into the interior of a country which is the scene of war. If the missionaries remain, after a proper warning, the United States government cannot remove them and they must take their chances with other civilians. Commander Mason, of the Cincinnati, notified the Navy Department to-day that he had taken the twenty-three American refugees to Che Foo.

The French Line steamer Propatria, thought to have been lost, has arrived at St. Pierre, N. S. She had been out more than two weeks from St. Pierre, bound for Halifax. She was caught in the ice and remained helpless for many days.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth, of LaGrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but he writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For Ulcers, Wounds and Piles it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist.

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NEGRO QUESTION IN THE HOUSE.

Discussed by Mr. Speight During Consideration of the Postoffice Appropriations.

TO VINDICATE THE SOUTH.

Spoke of Attempt of Certain Persons to Put the Negro on a Social Equality With Themselves—The White House Incident.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—In the House to-day, during the discussion of the Postoffice Appropriation bill, Mr. Speight, of Mississippi, discussed the negro question. He said he desired to vindicate the South from the charge of barbarism. In the South, he said, the negro had been denied the right to vote and to hold office, but not the right to work for an honest living as had been done in the Northern States. "We sometimes kill them for outrageous crimes," he said, "but never because they want to work." As for the lynchings, he said that sometimes they have unnecessarily occurred in the South. He referred to the Wilmington, Delaware, lynching last year, and to the subsequent attack on the negro settlement. This never occurred in the South, he said. "When the guilty wretch has paid the penalty of his unlawful crime, that is an end of it. The mob is satisfied and does not wreak indiscriminate vengeance upon the innocent because they belong to the same race as the criminal."

He said that unlike the people of the North, the people of the South don't go out with a torch in one hand and a gun in the other and shoot innocent women and children as they fled for a place of safety. He said this had occurred in New York city in 1900, and he referred to a number of lynchings which had occurred in the North, including those at Danville, Ill., and Springfield, Ohio, and said "such race prejudice finds no place in Southern hearts."

Mr. Speight said, "so far as I am concerned, I am opposed to mob violence as a general proposition. I do not think that lynchings for any other crime than the nameless one and against womanhood ought to occur. In all others the court is generally with us, swift to punish. The one class of crimes so brutal and destructive of that dear to an enlightened people, no man with a spark of manhood in him can doubt that instant death to the perpetrator should follow up fulfillment of such a crime."

Mr. Speight recited that the burning at the stake of "such brutes" was not confined to the South, but had occurred in the North as well. Mr. Speight spoke of the attempt of certain white persons to put the negro on a social equality with themselves and referring to the occasion when Booker Washington dined at the White House with Mr. Roosevelt, said that "this one incident had done more to inflame the passions of the negro and give him a perverted idea of his importance and his near approach to social equality than anything that had been done for the last ten years." He said Booker Washington had sat down to dinner with the President as graciously as if he had been the governor of New York." He was, he said, sorry that he did not have more sense and self-respect than to accept the invitation. It would have been as much more to his credit had he refused the invitation.

Mr. Speight referred to the arrest in Indianola, Miss., of agents of a Cincinnati picture company, who were selling to the negroes indecent pictures. In his opinion the agents should have been lynched.

The granting of subsidies to railroads for carrying the mails was vigorously opposed by Mr. Robinson, of Indiana, who characterized them as a stain and blot upon the bill.

Mr. Sibley contended that subsidy would be doing a manifest injustice to the interests of the South, and a heated discussion of the subject followed, which was participated in by Messrs. Lamb of Virginia, Holliday of Indiana and Gaines of Tennessee.

Mr. Robinson had charged the Republicans with being responsible for the subsidy, which brought from Mr. Lamb an emphatic protest, saying there were as good Democrats in the House as Mr. Robinson who would support the proposition.

Although the Louisville and Nashville railway, one of the roads benefitted by the subsidy, passed through his town, Mr. Gaines excitedly declared the subsidy to be "a legalized steal."

Mr. Aiken, S. C., urged an increase in the salary of rural carriers to $900.

Mr. Finley, South Carolina, followed; he believed in a reasonable and just allowance for clerk hire for all postoffices, and he would not condemn any member for requesting allowances for separating mail and for unusual business. There were, he said, rumors of the abuse of the franking privilege and the commission should look into that.

Mr. Sibley, Pennsylvania, suggested to Mr. Finley that if he personally knew of any such abuse, it was his duty to call specific attention to the individual.

Mr. Finley declared he was not making charges against members of Congress. He said the public mind was saturated with the charge that there was corruption in the Postoffice Department, and the only thing to do was to investigate it, if there was scandle to be uncovered. "The rascals and grafters," he said, "would be punished in the toils of the law."

In a speech characterized by intense vigor Mr. Flood, of Virginia, asserted that the credit of rural free delivery service belonged to the Democrats. It had, he said, been claimed by Mr. Perry Heath, former first assistant postmaster general. "I am not," he said, "astonished that a gentleman who was willing to rob and plunder his government and permit other people to rob and plunder the government he had sworn to protect, should rob a political opponent of the credit to which he was entitled." He protested, he said, against "honorable gentlemen on this floor following the example of Perry Heath."

Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, had read an editorial from the New York "Times" of to day, under the heading "As to Running Amuck," having reference to an interview with the attorney general on the subject of the merger decision. The attorney general had been asked his views, and he said: "To quiet the apprehensions of trusts and combinations, for fear they might think the government was going into the business of prosecuting them without regard to political affairs or past connection with Republican policies, he said it remained to be seen whether this prosecution was a political trick or the beginning of a general policy."

The House adjourned until to-morrow.

In the Senate.

The Senate to-day passed without discussion the joint resolution authorizing the President to negotiate with the government of Great Britain to secure a review of the regulations for the catching of fur-bearing seal in Alaska, so as to obtain an abatement of the killing of female seals and thus preserve the seal industry.

Another entire day of the Senate was devoted to the consideration in executive session of the nomination of General Leonard Wood to be major general. Senator Blackburn took the floor, resuming his speech begun yesterday. He occupied a little more than two hours and was followed by Senator Quarles, who consumed the balance of the day and expects to take another hour to-morrow.

It is predicted now that a vote will be reached before adjournment Friday.

THE MACEDONIA TROUBLE.

Russian and Austrian Entente Firmer Than Ever on the Application of Reforms Proposed.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS, March 17. — The Vienna correspondent of the Petit Parisian says that Count Goluchowski, the Austrian minister of foreign affairs, has authorized the publication of the following declarations, which he made officially to the French, British and Italian ambassadors:

"The Russian and Austrian entent on the subject of Macedonia is firmer than ever. A perfect understanding exists on the subject of the modus vivendi in Macedonia, and of Turkey's application of the reforms proposed by the two powers and accepted by the Sultan. Russia and Austria are determined to use all influence, and even to resort to extreme measures, to obtain the fulfillment of the Sultan's promises. The rumors that Austria is mobilizing troops are wholly unfounded."

Count Galuchowski hinted to certain powers that he would ask the aid, with a view of joint action, at Constantinople, should the Sultan remain obstinate.

LABOR TROUBLES

Again Threaten the Industrial World--The Situation Serious.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Labor troubles, as a result of which many thousands of men are idle, again threaten the industrial world and the situation is expected to become as serious as the memorable troubles of a year ago. In the building trades in this city it is estimated that already 20,000 men are out of work, and that the number will be increased almost daily. In addition, the printing trades are threatened by the attitude of the lithographers, ten thousand of whom are expected to be out throughout the country. The dissension in both these trades is caused by a disagreement over arbitration agreements with employers, and involves the absolute recognition of the unions, the eight-hour day and the "open shop."

TOBACCO IN JAPAN.

Fair Treatment of American Interests by the Government Assured.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

TOKIO, March 16.—United States Minister Griscom called on Prime Minister Komura to day and renewed his representations concerning American interests affected by the proposal of the Japanese government to extend the tobacco monopoly, so as to include manufactured tobacco. He urged the fair treatment of American interests and adequate compensation in the event of a monopoly being created. It is understood that Momura gave him satisfactory assurances. American capital is heavily invested in tobacco manufacturing in Japan and the creation of a monopoly means early and complete exclusion of American tobacco interests.

COLUMBIAN LEGATION CLOSED.

Feeling in Bogota Against the U. S Government Still Very Bitter.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The Colombian legation in this city has been closed and Dr. Thomas Herran, who for a long time has been acting as charge d'affaires, will leave the United States for his former home in Medelin, in two or three weeks. Future communications between the Colombian government and the State Department will be conducted through Consul General Arturo de Balgard, at New York. The closing of the legation is the direct result of the events ending in the secession of Panama and the negotiation of the present isthmian canal treaty. It is thought that a considerable time will elapse before the Colombian government again nominates a minister to Washington, as the feeling in official circles at Bogota is still very bitter.

RIOTING AT BUDAPEST.

Palaces of Emperor Francis Joseph and Archduchess Clothilde Stoned.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

VIENNA, March 16.—The palaces of Emperor Francis Joseph and the Archduchess Clothilde, at Budapest, were stoned by a mob yesterday evening, resulting in the windows being broken, because the buildings were not decorated in honor of the anniversary of the revolution of 1848. A great crowd of students and workmen, after a demonstration in front of the statue of the poet Petofy, paraded the streets and noticing that the palaces were not displaying flags, like most of the other offices, showered them with stones until the police charged and dispersed the rioters. A number of persons were injured and many arrests were made.

SAN DOMINGO.

Minister Powell Reports the Usual Daily Revolution.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The usual daily revolution is reported from San Domingo by Minister Powell to-day in a cablegram dated March 14. He records trouble at San Ches. It is admitted at the State Department that some representations have been made in a forcible way to American firms and individuals having an interest in San Domingo, that they have small ground for complaint of revolutionary disturbances affecting their interests unfavorably so long as they themselves are in the habit of furnishing arms, ammunition and money to both sides engaged in this strife.

John Flood, who fought John L. Sullivan nine rounds on a barge anchored in the East river near Hell Gate, N. Y., in 1890, died suddenly yesterday. Heart disease is believed to have been responsible.

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RUSSIANS MOVING TOWARDS COREA.

An Army Corps Reported to Be Descending from Vladivostok to Attack Japanese.

ALL QUIET AT PORT ARTHUR.

Japanese in Doubt Whether the Remnant of the Russian Fleet is Still at Port Arthur or En Route to Vladivostok--Corea Belligerent.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS, March 16.—The "Temps" correspondent at St. Petersburg asserts that a Russian army corps is descending from Vladivostok toward Corea. He adds that Port Arthur has a garrison of 30,000 men and is provisioned for a year.

The Russian ministry of marine, the "Temps'" correspondent further asserts, claims that Japan's losses since the opening of the war are four cruisers and five torpedo boat destroyers and the machinery of a 12,000 ton battleship seriously injured.

The correspondent concludes his dispatch with asserting that the concentration of Russian troops at Mukden and Harbin is considered as terminating the danger from a Japanese landing in the northern part of the bay of Corea.

Russian Naval Movements.

TOKIO, March 16.—Tokio is unadvised regarding the naval plans and movements of the Russians, and is in doubt whether the remnant of their fleet is still at Port Arthur or is en route to Vladivostok. Late this afternoon a telegram reached the Navy Department saying that seven Russian ships have been reported as passing Fort Lazareff. The report was not circumstantial. It did not give the character of the ships or the direction in which they were sailing. It is anticipated that the Japanese, by their activity, will speedily determine the whereabouts and intentions of the Russians.

Corea Considered a Belligerent.

SEOUL, March 16.—The Corean superintendent of trade at Kyong-Hung, on the Tumen river, has received a note from the general in command at Vladivostok, saying that since Corea has joined Japan, Russia considers Corea as a belligerent and will act accordingly.

The Japanese have ascertained definitely that a strong force of Russian field artillery is on the north bank of the Yalu river and that earthworks have been thrown up. Advices from Chon-Ju, a town northwest of Anju, say that the people are in a state of panic, owing to the treatment of women and the seizing of grain by the Russians.

Quiet at Port Arthur.

PORT ARTHUR, March 16.—Everything is quiet here. There is no sign of the enemy.

Advices from Feng Huan Chang, about 45 miles northwest of Wiju, say the Russian troops are showing an admirable spirit in surmounting the difficulties and hardships of the march over the frozen tracts of East Manchuria.

Crossed the Yalu.

TOKIO, March 16.—The only reliable reports at the present moment from the main Manchuria cities show a quick movement along the railway, and such cities as Mukden which are off the main line are undisturbed. The people here are not in possession of dfinite news of outside events. The chief movement on the Fong Huang Cheng military road is the dispatch of riders to and from the Russian advance forces.

A creditable messenger arrived here to-day bringing a report as late as March 13, from Fong Huang Cheng, to the effect that the main body of the concentrated forces had crossed the Yalu, leaving small bodies of troops at Antung and other points to guard the river.

A fortnight ago a few spies visited Anung, but since then no Japanese have been seen west of the Yalu.

The continued attacks of the Japanese have compelled the steady occupation of the Liao Tung peninsula.

Port Arthur Unsafe.

The last bombardment of Port Arthur rendered every part of the fortress of Port Arthur unsafe. Residents assert that fragments of shells fell everywhere, and that some railway coaches and buildings were destroyed, though most of the damage on the shore was unimportant.

Foreigners choosing to remain in the interior must now sign an agreement restricting their movements and stipulating that a special pass is necessary when leaving their bounds.

The Latest News.

LONDON, March 17.—No further news of the progress of hostilities in the Far East has been received here. There is much interest manifested in the report that the Russian main advance is crossing the Yalu, but this is not yet confirmed, and according to the Daily Chronicle's Ping Yang correspondent, all the Russian troops have left North Corea, 20,000 of them being concentrated at Kuicen-Cheng, north of the Yalu river, in Manchuria.

The "Daily Telegraph's" Sebastopol correspondent says it is semi officially announced that Russia has abandoned the idea of sending her Baltic squadron to the Far East by the way of Behring Straits as impracticable.

A Port Arthur dispatch says that Admiral Witsoeft has been appointed chief of Viceroy Alexieff's naval staff and has gone to Mukden.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 16.—The reports of the abandonment of Port Arthur continue to arouse the bitterest resentiment, the papers denouncing the story as a stock jobbing scheme.

The government is building some armored trains, for use on the Manchurian railroad, after the model of those used by the British in South Africa. They will not be employed so much on account of fear that the Japanese may cut the road, as for their moral effect on the Chinese robber bands, who may become emboldened by the war. It is believed that when the bandits see the iron monsters they will not come near the railroad.

A military expert contends that the Japanese action in covering their forces at Ping-Yang, Corea, and at their bases, Chemulpo, Chinnampo and Seoul, means that detachments have moved out along the Vel Lim-Kang which may be compared to a miniature Tugela river. A number of these detachments, it is added, have crossed the Vel-Lim-Kang at Pan Chen, eight miles from Anju.

The Japanese Situation.

PARIS, March 17.—The Tokio correspondent of the "Matin" sends this information, which he says comes from reliable authority, concerning the Japanese military situation up to March 10:

"The first army of 70,000 troops, under General Kuroki, occupies Northern Corea. The brigade landed at Gensan forms part of a second army of similar strength. The mobilization of the latter has been completed and the troops will sail shortly for an unknown destination. The mobilization of a third army began on March 7th."

Corean Emperor.

SEOUL, March 16.—The Emperor intends to leave his town palace in the outskirts of the city. It was here that the queen was assassinated in 1895, and from here that the Emperor fled to the Russian legation in 1896. His present residence is situated in the midst of the foreign legations, so that his removal to Yunbok will doubtless be more satisfactory to the Japanese government.

LONDON, March 16.—The Tokio correspondent of the "Times" cables that the latest reports say the Russians are occupying an area having a forty mile base from Wiju to Chang Tong, and extending south to the Pakchen river.

HORRIBLE DETAILS

Of Treatment of German Settlers by the Natives in Southwest Africa.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BERLIN, March 16.—Letters from German Southwest Africa have arrived here giving details of the ghastly treatment of German settlers, 113 of whom were killed outright tortured to death in the distant Okahandja alone. Women outraged and dismembered and with pieces of their bodies nailed to the doors of houses, and boys mutilated and left to die slowly, were frequent spectacles. The expeditionary columns on coming in sight of a farmer's house would see the heads of its former occupants fastened to the roof.

These sights appear to have excited the rage of the soldiers. Their letters express longings for revenge and a determination, as one writer says "to kill everything black." That causes some papers to urge the government to telegraph instructions to Colonel Leutwein, the governor of German Southwest Africa, that he order the soldiers under his command to restrain themselves and conduct the war in a civilized manner. The colonel himself comes in for criticism, as it is alleged that he left an insufficient number of troops in the exposed districts and was misled by the temper of the natives, having frequently had at his own tables chiefs who are now in rebellion and who are wearing decorations and swords of honor bestowed on them by the governor in behalf of the Emperor.

IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Gen. Taft's Explanations as to Conditions in the Islands.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Secretary Taft continued his explanation to the House Committee on Insular Affairs to-day as to conditions in the Philippines, particularly with reference to the necessity of railroad building. Taking up first the question of internal improvements in the islands, Secretary Taft read a cablegram from Governor Wright, suggesting the $10,000,000 bond issue for such improvements. In this cablegram Governor Wright said that in the last six months the customs receipts had fallen off 25 per cent. "While we hope that this is due to temporary causes," said Governor Wright, "at the same time we do not feel safe in making increased expenditures for improvements."

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION.

Biscuit Works Plant at Buffalo Wrecked. Loss $50,000

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 16.—Thirty girls employed at the Ontario biscuit works were thrown into a panic today when a terrific explosion wrecked the plant. The walls of the building bulged outwards and the floors sagged. Fortunately, the stairway remained intact and the girls escaped. Superintendent Edward E. Howe was so badly burned that it is feared he will die and another man will lose his eyesight. It is believed the explosion was caused by a leakage of natural gas which was used as fuel in the plant. The loss on the building is $50,000.

WARM WIRELETS

At the national headquarters of the United Mine Workers of America late yesterday estimates on the vote of the miners had been computed by the national officers. They are positive the scale has been accepted and there will be no strike.

When the trial of Mrs. Cordelia Botkin for the murder of Mrs. J. P. Dunning was resumed in San Francisco yesterday, the names of 75 talesmen summoned were called. About a score failed to answer and as many more were excused by Judge Cook.

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DELAWARE REPUBLICANS.

State Convention—Delegates to Chicago Instructed for Roosevelt.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DOVER, DEL., March 16.—The Union Republican State Convention was held here to-day. The platform adopted favors the present tariff and advocates a repeal of the civil service law. On behalf of the resolutions committee, Mr. Addicks read a resolution commending President Roosevelt and his administration and instructing the delegates to the Chicago convention to vote for his renomination and use all honorable means to bring about that result. The resolution was adopted.

Though no formal action was taken with reference to dropping the word "Union" from the party name, it was virtually dropped, as it did not appear in the platform.

INSURANCE COMBINE.

Uniform Rates to be Fixed for Same Class of Risks in All Cities.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, March 16. — The Inquirer to-morrow will say that the National Board of Fire Insurance Underwriters, at a meeting held in New York to-day, came to an agreement with a committee of twenty, representing insurance companies, by which all of the insurance companies in this country and all foreign companies represented here will form a combination.

Uniform rates, the Inquirer says, are to be fixed for the same class of risks in all cities.

ROBBED BY BURGLARS.

A Farmer Lost His Savings for Over Twenty Years.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA., March 10 — Three burglars entered the home of James Picken Paugh, a farmer, living at Cheatneck, near here, early to-day and after torturing their victim, secured $1,100 in gold and silver, and escaped. Picken Paugh had no faith in the stability of the banks and carried the money, which represented his savings for twenty years, strapped about his waist in wallets.

The Democratic State Committee of Massachusetts practically completed arrangements for the annual Democratic State convention which will be held in Boston April 21st, to elect four delegates at large and twenty-eight delegates from the Congressional districts to the national convention.

Attorney General Stratton says he will drop the case of the State of Washington against the Northern Securities Company, because of the decision of the United States Supreme Court in the merger case.

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